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SUBJECT: REPORT ON MILITARY CONSTRUCTION BACKLOG IN
EUROPE

REFS: (A) STATE 174898, DTG 262154Z JUL 77
(B) USCINCEUR ECCC 19028, DTG 251215Z NOV 77 (NOTAL)

1. THE 1978 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION HEARINGS IN CONGRESS
GENERATED THE REQUIREMENT FOR A REPORT ON THE TOTAL
FUTURE MILITARY CONSTRUCTION NEEDS IN EUROPE. BY REF A,
USEUCOM WAS TASKED TO PREPARE THE SUBJECT REPORT WHICH
WAS FORWARDED BY REF B AND SUBSEQUENTLY PROVIDED
TO THE FOUR COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS, BY THE ASSISTANT
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SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (MRA AND L).

2. THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE, IN ACCEPTING
THE REPORT, NOTED THAT ITS DETAILS HAD NOT BEEN
REVIEWED BY OR APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.
THE PERTINENT PORTION OF THE SASC REPORT 95-847 IS
QUOTED HEREWITH:

QUOTE: IN RESPONSE TO THE ABOVE REPORT LANGUAGE
REQUIREMENT, THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT FURNISHED THE

COMMITTEE A REPORT WHICH INDICATES A BACKLOG 5.8
BILLION DOLLARS IN CURRENT DOLLARS FOR CONSTRUCTION
REQUIREMENTS IN EUROPE. HOWEVER THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT,
IN SUBMITTING THIS REPORT, DISAVOWED THE REPORT AS
NOT HAVING BEEN "REVIEWED BY, OR APPROVED BY THE
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE". THE COMMITTEE EXPECTS THAT
THIS REPORT WILL BE PROPERLY REVIEWED WITHIN THE
DEFENSE DEPARTMENT AND RESUBMITTED WHEN IT REPRESENTS
THE VIEWS OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH. UNQUOTE.

3. PRIOR TO THE RESUBMISSION OF THIS REPORT TO
THE SASC, IT IS DESIRABLE THAT IT BE REVIEWED BY
USEUCOM AND UPDATED AS APPROPRIATE. THE FORMAT
PROVIDED IN THE PREVIOUS REPORT SHOULD BE RETAINED.
HOWEVER, IT IS DESIRABLE THAT THE SERVICE AND COMBINED
TOTALS, BY CATEGORY CODE, BE MODIFIED TO INDICATE
AMOUNTS PLANNED FOR THE 5-YEAR PROGRAMMING CYCLE
WITH THE BALANCE SHOWN IN THE OUT YEAR (UNPROGRAMMED)
PERIOD. CONGRESS HAS ALSO REQUESTED AN UNCLASSIFIED
VERSION OF THE REPORT, WHICH IS BEING PREPARED
NOW AT OSD -- A COPY OF WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED TO

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USEUCOM. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE UPDATED REPORT
ALSO INCLUDE AN UNCLASSIFIED VERSION.

4. IN CONNECTION WITH THE USEUCOM (AND COMPONENT
SERVICES) REVIEW, IT SHOULD BE EMPHASIZED THAT
EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO ELIMINATE THOSE PROJECTS
WHICH ALTHOUGH JUSTIFIABLE ON A PURE CRITERIA
BASIS, WOULD CONTRIBUTE LITTLE OR NOTHING TO
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5. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE SUBJECT REPORT BE
REVIEWED BY USCINCEUR IN CONJUNCTION WITH USNATO, AND
OTHER ADDRESSEES AS APPROPRIATE AND THE UPDATED
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SEPTEMBER 30, 1978.

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DIRECT LIAISON AMONG USEUCOM AND SPECIFIED COMMANDS
FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ORIGINAL REPORT.
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LISTINGS IS PROVIDED TO USEUCOM.

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